

Article VII

SECRETARY

Section A. The Secretary shall:

1. Take charge of all correspondence and minutes of all meetings of the Commission.
2. Post notice of all meetings at least forty-eight (48) hours before each meeting at the Town Clerk's Office at the Town Hall.
3. The Secretary may delegate specific tasks with the approval of the membership.

Article VIII

TREASURER

Section A. The Treasurer shall:

1. Submit financial reports at the monthly meetings.
2. Submit all bills and vouchers to the Town financial administrator for payment.
3. Submit the Commission's budget to the Town.

Article IX

MEETINGS

Section A. All official meetings shall be held once a month, generally the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will begin as soon as a quorum is reached.

Section B. A quorum shall be constituted when four (4) members are present.

Article IX (continued)

Section C. A Special meeting may be called at any time, by the Chairman or by at least three members. Notice must be posted to the public and given to the members not less than 24 hours before the meeting. The notice (by telephone or mail) is to be given by the requestor and is to state time, place, and purpose of the meeting. The Special meeting shall be limited to the stated subject.

Article X

RECORDS

Section A. The Commission shall forward one (1) copy of approved minutes to the Office of Handicapped Affairs and to the Town Clerk at the Town Hall to become part of the official record.

Article XI

FINANCES

Section A. Development of the annual budget shall be the responsibility of the Commission.

Article XII

ELECTIONS

Section A. Officers:

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